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REQUEST FOR CORRECTED NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE

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Dear Sir:

The Notice of Allowance mailed September 27, 2006 appears to list a set of claims that differs from that in the previous Notice of Allowance mailed September 29, 2004. The September 29, 2004 Notice of Allowance listed as allowed claims 1-9, 16-21, 27, 29 and 32-41. It was accompanied by an Examiner's Amendment that canceled claims 28 and 30. Applicant filed a Request for Continued Examination and an Information Disclosure Statement on April 26, 2005 and on July 19, 2006, a Petition to withdraw this application from issue in order to have the Office process the RCE and IDS. In response, a new Notice of Allowance has been received, mailed September 27, 2006. The new Notice of Allowance (1) lists different claims than the previous Notice of Allowance and (2) fails to acknowledge the aforesaid Information Disclosure Statement. The new Notice of Allowance indicates that the allowed claims are 1-9, 16-21, 27-28 and 31-40. The undersigned called Examiner Phan by telephone on October 12, 2006 for clarification. The Examiner requested that Applicant submit a set of claims that it believes to have been allowed, for the avoidance of doubt. He also requested that Applicant in this paper remind him to acknowledge having

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considered the Information Disclosure Statement identified above. As requested, Applicant attaches to this paper the claims Applicant believes to have been allowed.

Applicant believes that the discrepancy between the claims listed on the first Notice of Allowance and the claims listed on the second Notice of Allowance is probably due to the Office having renumbered Applicant's claims. Having reviewed the file, Applicant's counsel is reminded that, as the Examiner previously discovered, the original set of claims was missing a claim 28. There never has been a claim 28. The Examiner's Amendment canceling claim 28 was the Examiner's attempt to clear the record. However, it would appear that the Publications Division already has renumbered Applicant's claims and that the Notice of Allowance of September 27, 2006 uses the numbers of the claims as renumbered, with all claims from original claim 29 to original claim 41 being renumbered correspondingly as claims 28-40. If that is the case, then the two Notices of Allowance become consistent and are consistent with the attached set of claims. Confirmation by the Examiner would be appreciated so that the correct claims are printed in the patent. Applicant believes that a corrected Notice of Allowance also should be issued because the claim numbering should be consistent with the claim numbering in the application file.

And, in conclusion, the Examiner is once again reminded to please acknowledge the IDS filed April 26, 2005. Another IDS is being filed herewith and acknowledgement of this IDS is also requested.

Dated: October /6, 2006

Respectfully submitted,

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